TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1747 - SB 2229

February 16, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires drivers licenses and photo identification cards issued by the Department of Safety and Homeland Security (DOS) to bear a designation sufficient to enable any member of the general public, rather than just law enforcement officers, to identify the bearer of the license or identification card as a sexual offender, a violent sexual offender, or a violent juvenile sexual offender. Defines the term "designation" to mean the license or identification card is clearly labeled with the words "sexual offender" in red lettering in three distinct places.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$150,000/One-Time

Assumptions:

- Current law requires sexual offenders be identified to law enforcement by a restriction code 88 on the front of the driver license or identification card and with the restriction code on the back of the license or card which reads: 88-TCA 40-39-201 et seq.
- According to DOS, this bill will require a completely new design of approximately 70 driver license and state identification card formats.
- Based on information provided by DOS, a one-time state expenditure of \$150,000 will be required to accommodate all development and programming to support the placement of the "sexual offender" designation in three distinct places in the color red on the face of the driver license or state identification card.
- Any cost to print and issue new cards to sex offenders will not differ from costs under current law.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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